

Remarks:

This amendment is submitted in an earnest effort to advance this case to issue without delay. The examiner has indicated that the case contains allowable subject matter.

Claims 3 and 45 have been corrected to cure the §112 problems helpfully pointed out by the examiner. The withdrawn claims have been canceled.

In addition claim 1 has been amended to eliminate the somewhat confusing "at least one" terminology, it of course being understood that claiming one of something does not exclude that there are more than one of that something in the combination; in other words a claim for a three-legged table covers a four-legged table. Furthermore the first and second epitaxial layers are now always identified as such for further clarity.

These amendments make no change in the scope of the claims, reduce the number of claims, and cure purely formal problems. Thus this amendment is enterable after final action by matter of right.

Allowance of all claims and passage to issue are in order.

If only minor problems that could be corrected by means of a telephone conference stand in the way of allowance of this case, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned to make the necessary corrections.

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